

# Department of Toxic Substances Control Announces a Public Information Meeting focusing on a Santa Susana Field Laboratory Class 2 Permit Modification Request and Extends the Public Comment Period until May 31, 2001 APRIL 2001



In response to public request, the Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC) invites you to a Public Information Meeting on May 16, 2001. Representatives from DTSC will provide information to help clarify a Class 2 Permit Modification Request submitted by The Boeing Company to modify two respective Post-Closure Hazardous Waste Facility Permits.

### **BACKGROUND**

In 1995, DTSC issued two Post-Closure Hazardous Waste Facility Permits, one to The Boeing Company (previously Rockwell International) for Areas I and III at the Santa Susana Field Laboratory, and another to NASA and Boeing for Area II. Both permits involve the post-closure care of closed surface impoundments previously used to collect wastewater from rocket testing. Another part of both permits involved the operation and maintenance of groundwater remediation facilities established as interim measures under the corrective action program. The groundwater remediation facilities are temporary measures to help stabilize the groundwater contamination at the facility and to remediate any contaminated groundwater extracted from the systems. For Area I there are four treatment systems treating groundwater pumped from thirteen extraction wells; for Area III there are three treatment systems treating groundwater from six extraction wells; and for Area III there is one treatment system treating groundwater from nine extraction wells and a batch collection system.

# PERMIT MODIFICATION REQUEST

The Boeing Company submitted a Class 2 Permit Modification Request to DTSC dated February 16, 2001. In accordance with California Code of Regulations, Title 22, Section 66270.42, Boeing notified the public of their request for a Class 2 Permit Modification, provided the public with a required 60-day public comment period (starting February 22 and ending April 23, 2001) and held a required public meeting on March 22, 2001.

The Permit Modification Request seeks to deactivate two groundwater remediation facilities at Area I and reroute the water to another facility in Area I. The request would also deactivate one groundwater remediation facility in Area II and reroute the groundwater to another facility in Area II. The request would not change the number nor location of the extraction wells. Additional improvements to the active systems are proposed and the inactive systems will be placed on standby status. In addition, the submitted request proposes changes to the sampling and inspection schedules of the treatment systems, generally to reduce their frequency.

# DTSC INFORMATION MEETING and COMMENT PERIOD

DTSC invites the public to attend an informational meeting on Boeing's Class 2 Permit Modification Request. The DTSC Public Information Meeting will be held on May 16, 2001, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. at the Simi Valley City Hall Community Room, City of Simi Valley, 2929 Tapo Canyon Road. The public comment period is being extended to allow written comments to be received till May 31, 2001. Written comments on the proposed Class 2 Permit Modification can be sent to Stephen Baxter, Department of Toxic Substances Control, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale, California, 91201.

## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

The Class 2 Permit Modification Request is available for public review at the following information repositories:

Cal. State University, Northridge Campus, Oviatt Library, Room 265 (West Wing), 18111 Nordhoff Street, Northridge, CA 91330. Contact: Robert Marshall (Archivist), (818) 677-2676

Simi Valley Library, 2969 Tapo Canyon Road, Simi Valley, CA 93063, (805) 526-1735

Platt Branch Library, 23600 Victory Blvd, Woodland Hills, CA 91367, (818) 677-2285

Dept. of Toxic Substances Control, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201. Contact: Jone Barrio, (818) 551-2886

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